(b) the action being taken by Government of India on this proposal; and

(c) by when it will be accorded approval?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) The Ministry has not received any proposal titled, Satat Swarojgar Yojana' for improvement of bamboo forests from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh under Special Projects of Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY).

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Total Sanitation Campaign in Punjab

† 3686. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts of Punjab regarding which proposals under Total Sanitation Sampaign programmes forwarded by Punjab Government are pending for clearance and when such clearance would be given; and

(b) the number of districts of Punjab for which schemes under Total Sanitation Programmes have been sanctioned and the share of the Central allocation to the State under this scheme and by when the amount of second instalment would be released?'

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA): (a) and (b) Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) projects have been sanctioned in 14 districts of Punjab. In addition, for the remaining three districts namely, Mansa, Ludhiana and Ferozepur, start-up grant @ Rs. 10.00 lakh each has been sanctioned to conduct Base Line Survey and submit a project report. The State Government has not submitted the project reports after conducting Base Line Survey in respect of these three districts. There is no proposal pending with Government of India for sanction of Total Sanitation Campaign project in respect of any district of Punjab.

The total outlay of TSC projects sanctioned for the fourteen districts in Punjab is Rs. 6583.24 lakh, out of which Central share is Rs. 3547.86 lakh. Total funds amounting to Rs. 989.03 lakh out of the Central share has been released to these projects as the first instalment. So far, no proposal has been received from Government of Punjab for release of the Second instalment for any TSC project.

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